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FOLLOWING REPEAT CAIRO 10477 ACTION SECSTATE 20 OCT

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TAGS: EINV ETRD EGEN EG

SUBJECT: ARAB BOYCOTT: FORD

REF: CAIRO 10452

1. AS I SAID I WOULD DO, I TALKED WITH FAHMY LAST NIGHT ABOUT GOE INTENTIONS TO LIFTING THE BOYCOTT ON FORD. FAHMY WAS UNHAPPY ABOUT THE WAY THE CAIRO PRESS HAS PUBLICIZED THE PRESENCE OF THE FORD DELEGATION. IT WILL CREATE PROBLEMS FOR GOE. HE CLAIMED ARTICLE HAD GOTTEN OUT BEFORE HE HAD HAD A CHANCE TO STOP IT.

2. FAHMY CONFIRMED THAT HE WILL NOT SEE THE FORD
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GROUP. GAZERIN OF THE NASSER AUTOMOBILE COMPANY

HAS BEEN PRESSING HIM TO RECEIVE THE GROUP AND HAD ENLISTED THE HELP OF FAHMY'S SON, NABIL, FOR THIS PURPOSE. FAHMY HAD PARRIED ALL EFFORTS TO ARRANGE A MEETING. HIS REASON IS THAT A MEETING BY THE DEPPRIMIN/FONMIN WITH FORD GROUP WILL BE WIDELY NOTED AND SIMPLY ADD FUEL TO THE BLAZE.

2. FAHMY REAFFIRMED THAT GOE WILL TAKE UNILATERAL REPEAT UNILATERAL ACTION TO LIFT THE BOYCOTT ON FORD IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOE COMMITMENT TO US. HOWEVER, THIS WILL NOT BE DONE FOR SEVERAL MONTHS, PERHAPS AS MANY AS SIX. THE DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT WILL HAVE TO BE VIRTUALLY FULLY IMPLEMENTED BEFORE THIS CAN BE DONE. AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME HE, FAHMY, WILL RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT THAT SUCH ACTION BE TAKEN. THE ACTION WILL BE IN THE FORM OF A PRESIDENTIAL DECISION. GOES DOES NOT INTEND TO GO THROUGH THE ARAB LEAGUE BOYCOTT OFFICE.

3. I TOLD FAHMY ABOUT THE PROPOSED FORD LETTER TO MAGHOUB AND ASKED FOR HIS ADVICE. PREDICTABLY, FAHMY RESPONDED THAT FORD SHOULD NOT CORRESPOND WITH MAGHOUB OR WITH ANY ARAB LEAGUE BOYCOTT OFFICIALS. DOING SO WILL ONLY COMPLICATE THE PROBLEM.

4. HE HAD NO OBJECTION TO FORD PRESENTING ITS PROPOSAL TO SHAFEI AND SHAHIN AND CONDUCTING TECHNICAL TALKS. THESE, IN HIS VIEW, SHOULD GO ON QUIETLY FOR SEVERAL MONTHS UNTIL THE TIME IS RIGHT FOR A POLITICAL DECISION. FORD GROUP SHOULD AVOID GETTING ENGAGED WITH SHAFEI OR SHAHIN ON BOYCOTT MATTERS. NONE OF THESE MINISTERS IS AWARE OF WHAT HAS BEEN AGREED UPON. IF THEY RAISE IT WITH FORD GROUP, LATTER SHOULD SIMPLY LISTEN AND BE NON-COMMITTAL. FORD'S ONLY CONTACT

ON LIFTING BOYCOTT IN EGYPT SHOULD BE THROUGH THIS EMBASSY, NOT THROUGH ANYONE ELSE.

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5. I AM CONVEYING THIS INFORMATION TO THE FORD PEOPLE FOR THEIR GUIDANCE.

6. IN VIEW SENSITIVITY OF THIS MATTER AND IMPORTANCE RESTRICTING CIRCULATION OF THIS MESSAGE, MAKE IT NODIS.
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